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MARRIAGE.

On the 17th March, at St. Peter's Church, Hongkong, by the Rev. J. H. Francis, M.A., assisted by the Rev. T. Wright, B.A., Henry S. Wynne, of Gwerc, Scotland, to ANNIE MARIE, eldest daughter of the late ALFRED PARKER and Mrs. MICHELL, Hongkong.

The Daily Press.

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HONGKONG, 18th MARCH, 1904

In spite of all reports as to the abandonment or capture of Port Arthur, the Russian fortress on the Liaotung peninsula is holding out; and now, as may be seen from the telegram which we publish to-day, General KUROPATKIN, the Russian Commander-in-Chief, has given orders to Admiral ROSSSETZ to continue to hold the place. We have a further indication of General KUROPATKIN's intention, for it is stated that he means to defend the line of the Yalu River with 250,000 men, while guarding his railway communications with another 150,000. Whether he has in Manchuria at the present moment these numbers or anything like them it is impossible to say. If he has, he must be experiencing tremendous difficulties in the commissariat department, without which working in good order it is obviously impossible to maintain a force of 400,000 men thousands of miles from their real base. However, if we take his statement as genuine, and not merely as meant to impress the Japanese, we must dismiss as imaginary the remark attributed to the General's aide-de-camp by REUTER a few days ago. The latter was reported to have declared that General KUROPATKIN would first of all recall Russian troops from Corea and would not commence operations until May, hoping to "have done with Japan" at the end of July. This bombastic utterance was not given much attention at the time; now it seems probable that it was never made. From what we know of General KUROPATKIN's previous career, the plan of campaign now attributed to him

looks far more probable than a policy of retreat. The only point to be settled is whether it is not too late for Russia to hold the line of the Yalu. We know little enough of the Japanese movements on land. Japan has, with the most perfect justification, in spite of the hysterical complaints of disappointed war correspondents, concealed her military operations entirely, so that the disposition of her troops is quite unknown. It is, however, known that her outposts in Corea have reached as far north as the Ching-chin-gang (or Chheng-chhen-gang) River, some fifty miles south of the Yalu, and over one hundred and fifty miles from Seoul. On the other side of the Yalu, the Japanese were reported some days ago to have got to Feng-hwang-cheng, which is about one hundred miles from Moukden and is right in the rear of any position the Russians may hold on the west bank of the Yalu; but since the first telegram to this effect we have had no confirmation of the news, except a strongly supported rumour in local military circles, claiming to be based on official despatches. If it turns out to be true that the Japanese are in any force, it is difficult to see how General KUROPATKIN can hold to his plan of defending the line of the Yalu. Should he be compelled to relinquish his intention there will be nothing for him to do but to fall back either on Moukden or, further still, on Harbin, where Viceroy ALEXIEFF has now his headquarters. Such a retirement promises to seal the fate of Port Arthur, which already seems to be in dire straits. The Japanese, moreover, are expected to occupy Newchwang as soon as the thaw is sufficient to allow them to approach the harbour.

Before the actual outbreak of war, a well-known Japanese military officer, Colonel OKA, then in Europe, sketched to an interviewer his idea of his country's plan of campaign in event of hostilities. He anticipated first the naval success which has fallen to the lot of Japan. The main military force would then be landed at Chemulpo, as has also been done. Their objective would be Harbin, the junction of the lines from Siberia to Vladivostok and to Port Arthur. If this advance should fail, Japan would make the Yalu the line of defence, throwing up entrenchments and keeping open the communications by sea. In either case, Colonel OKA looked for a long and sanguinary war, but trusted to Japan being able, to maintain the struggle owing to her advantages in the matter of transport. It is too early yet to judge to what extent the Japanese military expert was correct in his sketch of the plan of operations, but it certainly looks as if an attempt were going to be made to push on to Moukden after forcing or turning the position on the Yalu; and if Moukden can be reached, it is unlikely that Japan will be content without making every effort in her power to carry Harbin also and thus free Southern Manchuria from the Russians. But that the task will be one of enormous difficulty must be admitted by the warmest admirers of Japan. Success would settle definitely the question of the merits of the Japanese soldier. Those critics are many who anticipate Russia's victory when it comes to handling masses of troops. There are, however, really no data by which we can judge. Time alone will show.

A bottled-up drain has been unearthed at the Harbour office. It is to be hoped that nobody will catch typhoid.

Mr. Israel Putnam has announced the severance of his connection with the *Manila Cable News*, which, from the 8th inst., has been leased to Mr. Frederick O'Brien, former business manager of that journal.

The cableship *Scotia* was wrecked last week off the island of Guam. It is impossible to say whether she can be saved or will be a total loss. The *Scotia* is a vessel of 4,667 tons register, a comparatively new steamer, and was commanded by Captain Ransome. She is the property of the Commercial Company's specially designed and constructed fleet for its cable-laying and repair work. The *Scotia* was on her way to Guam from Hongkong when she was wrecked.

The scenic charms of Ceylon appear to have laid firm hold of Sir Henry Blake, and he has given frequent expression to his feelings of admiration. A Colombo paper remarks that when Sir Henry referred to Galle as the spot "where once older nations exchanged the wealth of two hemispheres," he must have quite startled the good people of Galle, and says that "the condensed report of his remarks reads like an extract from *Lolita*."—We think a criticism justified by the speech, we think. We note, by the way, that in the course of the speech our late Governor said that apprehensions as to plague in Ceylon were exaggerated, as his large experience showed that plague could not exist in a temperate climate like Ceylon's.

Husbands v. Wives, a hockey match played at Happy Valley yesterday afternoon, ended in a win for the Husbands by 4-2.

Hugh S. Wynne, of the Kowloon Docks, was married to Miss Annie Maude Parker, at St. Peter's Church yesterday morning. The bridesmaids were Miss Ethel Parker (the bride's sister) and Miss Anna Guy. Mr. W. Nicholson was best man. A reception was held afterwards at the Hongkong Hotel.

By kind permission of Lt.-Col. Iremonger and officers, the Band of the 93rd Borneo Infantry will play the following programme of music at the King Edward Hotel during dinner to-day (weather permitting):—
March—"The Belle of Bohemia" Orl. Hrn.
Introduction 3d Act *Lohengrin* Wagner
Selection—"The Everlasting Day" Bevan
Song—"The Mikado" Sullivan
Waltz—"Auf Schu' um den Liebe" Bohm
Mazurka—"Slavonic Dance" Karolyi
"God Save the King"

Ceylon's attitude toward the proposed Russian prisoners may be gathered from the following paragraph in the *Times of Ceylon*:—"It would appear as if the rescued Russian sailors may not remain here very long, after all. According to Reuter, arrangements are being made between the British and Russian Governments whereby the sailors will be handed over to the Russian authorities, and allowed to return home on parole. If this is done, we hope there may be no necessity to land them, but that arrangements will be made allowing them to proceed in the *Yamany* straight to Odessa."

In view of the extremely inclement weather to which the Tibet Mission is exposed, as revealed in our London correspondent's telegram to-day, the following despatch from Pharijong on the 23rd ult. is of interest:—"The health of the troops so far is good. At Phar, though the fort is most insubstantial, there have been only six deaths among the soldiers and followers, and the garrison has been singularly free from pneumonia, which is very prevalent at Tana. At Tana ten deaths took place, every case being pneumonia, the patients dying from suffocation owing to the rarefied air. In several cases of frostbite amputation has been necessary."

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FIRE IN JERVOIS STREET.

Fire broke out on the second floor of No. 37, Jervois Street, at about noon yesterday. The house in question was a two-story dingy-looking Chinese store and dwelling, with slate-colour brick-work and green window-bars—that is, before the fire. The Fire Brigade, under the direction of Mr. E. R. Hallifax, Acting Captain Superintendent of Police, and Chief Inspector of Police H. G. Baker, were prompt in answering the alarm, rushing from the Queen's Road Central Station with their extinguishing appliances. A fire-escape was put up against the second floor verandah of No. 35, and another against a house in a little back alley at the rear of the burning building. By means of these, and also by playing from the street, some four or five hoses were brought to bear on the flames. There was a good pressure of water in the mains. At one time, for a moment or so, a heavy shower of artificial rain came over the house-top into Jervois Street, causing the disconcerted crowd to scurry away in all directions. With a loud crash the pottery roof fell on to the second floor; but then—about twenty past twelve—the fire was well under control, having been easily subdued. An escape was put to one of the top windows of the damaged building, through which one could now see a daylight, a d two brigade men, at considerable risk of having a cracked piece of protruding roof falling on their heads, mounted the ladder, thereby getting complete control of the situation. Every now and again breaking timbers and masonry were heard falling upon the upper floor, the latter becoming strained to the breaking point. An occasional splutter made by the contact of fire and water, followed by a cloud of steam, gave diversity to the scene. In the street, snake-like hoses branched everywhere. The huge sea of gaping Orientals were kept well at a distance by the Police, only a few of the more respectably dressed, insurance agents, and others, being permitted to make anything like a close approach. It may be remarked that the insurance men show badges of great variety; why do not the Police here, as elsewhere, cause them to be uniform in design? House No. 37, until a fortnight ago, carried on a silk business, but, as far as can be gathered, had to wind up, a non-paying concern. It was conducted under the name of Fook San. House No. 38—Chap Yik—suffered more or less from water, as also did No. 35 on the other side. The former is well covered in Messrs. Siamson & Co., and the latter in Messrs. Siamson & Co. and Messrs. Reis & Co. Both of them are doing trade in the piece-goods line.

We understand that the insurance policy of the burnt house, in the South British Co., has expired, and neither building or remaining stock is covered.

TELEGRAMS.

"DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.]

THE WAR.

PORT ARTHUR TO BE HELD.

London, 17th Mar., 11 a.m.

General Kuropatkin has ordered

Admiral Rosssetz to continue to hold

Port Arthur. The General intends

to place 250,000 troops on the Yalu

and to guard the railway with 150,000.

THE TIBET MISSION.

WEATHER DIFFICULTIES.

London, 16th Mar., 11.5 a.m.

The Tibet Mission has been overtaken by

a blizzard. The cold was intense, and for

36 hours there was no food to be had.

REUTER'S SERVICE.

THE WAR.—JAPANESE ADVANCING.

London, 15th March.

A Russian official despatch reports that four of the enemy's posts were discovered at the Ching-chin-gang River, north of Pingyang. It declares that a Japanese cavalry patrol fell into an ambush and was dispersed.

WHAT JAPAN AIMS AT.

London, 15th March.

Baron Suymatsu, interviewed by Reuter, in England, said he wished the world to understand that Japan was not waging war for the purpose of material gain or enlarging her territory. What was called the "Yellow Peril" was a kind of nightmare. Japan would do her work in such a way as to secure peace for some decades.

THE RUSSIANS AT PORT ARTHUR.

London, 15th March.

It is rumoured in Tokyo that the Russian fleet left Port Arthur after the 10th instant, making a dash to join the squadron at Vladivostok. A foreigner who has arrived at Newchwang from Port Arthur reports that a short engagement occurred there on Sunday, the 12th instant, the fleets exchanging twenty or thirty shots, the cruiser *Diana* receiving some damage.

PARLIAMENT.—DEFEAT OF THE GOVERNMENT.

London, 15th March.

On a motion by Mr. Redmond to reduce the Irish Education vote, the Government was defeated, on a snatch division, by 141 to 130.

CRICKET.—END OF WARNER'S TOUR.

London, 15th March.

England beat South Australia by nine wickets.

S. PATRICK'S DAY.

Yesterday was St. Patrick's Day. There were few evidences of a general celebration of the anniversary, though all loyal Irishmen did due honour in a quiet way to the memory of their patron saint. The absence of the shamrock was noticeable; no one appears to have thought of transplanting the "dear little shamrock" to China. Many ladies were to be seen wearing plain green nosegays, and a great number of sailors from the American warships in the Harbour sported emerald favours on their jackets.

TRIAL TRIP.

On Wednesday afternoon the light draught sternwheel gunboat *An Hui* ran her trial in the harbour. This little vessel was built at Cosmopolitan Dock to the order of Messrs. E. C. Wilks & Co., for H.E. the Viceroy of Canton for special service on the higher reaches of the West River. This vessel has been built in the short period of two months from date of order. The principal dimensions are 72 feet over all, 13 feet beam, with a draught of one foot six inches only. The speed attained on the measured mile was 84 knots, being nearly a knot over the guaranteed speed. The *An Hui* left to-day for Canton. The plans and specifications were prepared by Mr. W. C. Jack, M.I.N.A., of Messrs. E. C. Wilks & Co.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:—

On the 17th at 11.25 a.m. The barometer has risen slightly in the Philippines and fallen in China and Japan.

The highest pressure is now found in Central Japan and an area of low pressure lies over the Loochoo Islands.

Gradients are very slight on the China coast and the China Sea.

Light variable winds will be met with in the Formosa Channel and the north part of the China Sea.

Forecast:—Light variable winds; overcast, dull.

CANTON.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

Canton, 16th March.

RAIN.

The rains have set in here, and people have to resign themselves to lack of exercise and general discomfort when out-of-doors. The farmers will, however, be rejoicing—but a little longer without rain and the crops would have suffered.

THE RAILWAY.

The work on the railway may be impeded by the rains but it is announced that the Samshui extension will be opened to traffic on the 25th of this month. Visitors to the West River will find this a convenience, as the journey to Wuchow will be shortened by twelve hours. Operations on the main trunk line have for some time been in progress. From Wungsha the track goes west of the White Cloud Hills, and a 30-foot cutting has already been started upon.

THREATENED TROUBLE AT FATI.

On the 16th instant there was some small excitement in Fati. The building of godowns is now about to be begun at Fong-chuen, on the northern end of Fati Island, and preliminary preparations having been made. As is usual when house-building, the Chinese started constructing matcheds; but the contractor found that for some unknown reason he was likely to meet with considerable opposition. He was compelled to report to Mr. Danby's assistant, Mr. Furnell, that a large crowd had gathered round the matcheds, and were threatening to destroy Mr. Furnell prevented this, and requisitioned a guard through the Consular authorities, and the work is now progressing peacefully.

THE BUND.

The bund now looks large on the riverside. It is a sight worth seeing when the sand-boats are depositing their loads; they are there in vast numbers, and the whole forms a busy scene. A large section has been reclaimed from the river, and it is evident that if the bund is to be the same through all its length as it is now a very great convenience will have been provided for business.

[FROM ANOTHER CORRESPONDENT.]

SOCIAL ITEMS.

What will probably be the last dance of the season was given at the Club Theatre on Tuesday night, the 15th inst., and in spite of the torrential rain, was very largely attended, a tribute to the popularity of that genial medico, the host. The decorations were on an entirely novel plan, and did great credit to the originality and taste of the lady who was responsible for them, and who seems to be accorded the position of fairy godmother, in lending kindly help to the bachelor entertainers of the Shamoon. Altogether it was one of the most successful and enjoyable evenings we remember.

On Saturday evening the A.D.C. will produce *Aunt Charlotte's Maid*, the cast being as follows:—
Horatio Thomas Sparkins Mr. L. H. Gilman
Major Valley Mr. G. W. Appleby
First (a lawyer) Mr. F. T. Wood
Mrs. Puddifoot Mr. G. W. Appleby
Fanny Volney Mrs. E. T. Bond
Matilda Jones (Aunt Charlotte's Maid) Mr. E. T. Bond

The British Vice-Consul, who, with his wife (decorated with Royal Red Cross for services during the Peking siege) have been very much liked here, leaves for home in about six weeks' time, for a well-deserved holiday. His place will be taken by that popular Shanghaiander "Bertie" Giles.

NEWS OF THE WAR.

Chinese matters are very quiet, but great interest is being taken in the progress of the Russo-Japan war, and it is interesting to note that, through the increase in the number and circulation of the Chinese newspapers, the people know far more concerning this war than they did about their own struggle with Japan.

NEW BUILDINGS AND MOVEMENTS.

The new Bund is progressing rapidly, and there is a project, already largely subscribed to, for establishing a foreign hotel, to be run on up-to-date lines, near the jetty wharf at Kuk-lu. Should it mature, it will doubtless well repay the proprietors.

A branch of the International Banking Corporation has been opened here, but its usefulness is very much discounted by the fact that the office is at Wungsha. We understand, however, that they will remove to the Shamoon as soon as a suitable building can be obtained.

The Standard Oil Company move into their new offices at the end of the month.

NAVAL NOTES.

H.M. river gunboats *Robin* and *Sandpiper* have left port, as also has the Chinese gunboat *Kwong Yuen*. The German river gunboat *Twin Tau*, recently put together by the Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., has returned from a cruise. The Chinese gunboats *Fuk* and *Capt. Lam Ping Sing* and *Fuk Po*, *Capt. Kow* arrived from Canton yesterday, having left that port on the previous evening.

THE BARQUE "ARROW."

The local agents of the British four-masted barque *Arrow*, bound to Hongkong, will be pleased to hear that she is safe and sound, and very near her destination. Captain Schmidt, of the *ss Andalusia*, which arrived from Tientsin yesterday, reports having, on the 16th inst., passed her when some 90 miles distant from this colony. The *Arrow* signalled "Bound for Hongkong, all well."

W. A. B. NOTES.

NORTHERN ITEMS.

A Newchwang telegram of the 10th inst. says:—"The ice in the rivers here is melting. The Japanese troops are expected soon to attack the Russians, who, contemplating such an eventuality, have ordered the inhabitants to remove their families into the interior, and are hurriedly landing their cannon." The *Tung Wen Hu Pao* hears that the Russians are greatly afraid that the Japanese will attack Newchwang. Therefore they have laid even submarine mines in the Liaoho, and have established a signal station at a point south-east of Yinkow.

It was officially stated to the Press in Shanghai on the 15th inst. that the vital portions of the large guns, the small arms, and other offensive fittings of the Russian gunboat *Alondour*, have been deposited with the Imperial Customs authorities, while the shells, ammunition, and torpedoes have been placed on a small Chinese gunboat of an obsolete type for safe keeping, this boat also being under the control of the Customs. The Japanese cruiser *Akikoshima* was expected to leave Shanghai in consequence.

The *Sin Wen Pao* states that Admiral Alexieff has again demanded the withdrawal of all Chinese troops from Moukden. He has informed the Tartar General and civil Governor of this, stating that he will himself have the city guarded, as a garrison of 40,000 men will be there shortly.

FOOTBALL.

SHIELD TIE.

A semi-final in this season's Football Shield series was played off at Happy Valley yesterday afternoon between teams from H.M.S. *Albion* and H.M.S. *Ocean*, the game ending in a victory for the *Albion*, who will have to contest with the *Crescent* next Saturday for the shield. The *Ocean* kicked off against the wind, what little there was. The ground was in excellent condition, and the afternoon cool. That there was little to choose between the men was evinced by the large crowd of spectators, who completely surrounded the field two and three deep. The Hongkong Football Club's stand, too, was quite full, many ladies being amongst the spectators. Throughout the game hand-clapping and cheering were incessant; when a particularly clever feat was accomplished the enthusiastic sailors at all quarters threw their caps in the air, while cheering louder than before rose in one note from everywhere. The game in the first half, was an even one, each side, in succession, having a more-or-less share of play. McGinlis, of the *Albion*, drew first blood amid the greatest applause; and Wallace, of the same ship, added another. The *Ocean* got their turn, Downie scoring. This position was maintained at the close of the first half. In the second half the *Albion* clearly proved themselves the stronger lot, but missed some good opportunities. Barr added No. 3; and Williams a fourth. The game, lacking interest somewhat towards the end, finished:—H.M.S. *Albion*, 4; H.M.S. *Ocean*, 1.

The teams were:—H.M.S. *Ocean*:—McDiarmid, goal; McIntyre and Hall, backs; Wright, Holt, and Schwann, halves; Spinner, Harbottle, Downie, Walsby, and Vaughan, forwards.

H.M.S. *Albion*:—Barr, goal; J. Thompson and Oliver, backs; Stanley, T. Holmes, and Spencer, halves; Forman, Wallace, Williams, Ball, and McGinlis, forwards.

Capt. P. G. Davies, A.O.D., was referee.

This afternoon in the Happy Valley the Hongkong Football Club will play H. M. S. *Ocean* under Rugby rules. Kick-off at 4.30 p.m. The following will play for the Club:—
H. Arthur, full back; A. Goodman, J. P. Jordan, Lieut. Cameron, and Lieut. Black, three-quarters; A. G. M. Fletcher, F. G. Cavanagh, halves; H. C. Sandford, E. E. Hallifax, A. Boyd, Lieut. Stoves, Lieut. Duncan, E. A. Schlanders, S. O. Else, and H. F. Chard, forwards.

THE ASSAM-BENGAL RAILWAY.

A Calcutta despatch, dated the 17th February, says:—H.E. the Viceroy yesterday formally opened the Assam-Bengal Railway at Chittagong and made a speech in which he described the line as one of the costliest and most difficult railway enterprises that had ever been undertaken in India. The original estimates were not much over four millions sterling, but the actual outlay to complete the line had been over nine millions. It was too late now to discuss either the policy of the railway or its general alignment. If anyone were to say that nine millions might have been spent to better advantage elsewhere, the Viceroy would not, perhaps, be disposed to contest him. But now that the line had been opened, their object must be to see that it was worked to the best advantage to provide some return for the enormous outlay of public money that had occurred.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The *C.R.L. steamer Empress of Japan* arrived at Kobe at 7.30 a.m. on the 16th inst., and left again at noon for Yokohama, where she was due to arrive at 11 a.m. on the 17th inst.

The Imperial steamship *Imperial*, which left here on the 17th ult., at noon, arrived at Genoa on Wednesday, at 7 a.m.

The *M.M. steamer Salento*, with the north French mail, will leave Saigon on Saturday, the 19th inst., at 1 p.m., for this port.

The P.M. steamer *China*, with mails, &c., from San Francisco to the 26th ult., via Honolulu, leaves Yokohama for this port via Inland Sea, &c., on the 18th inst.

The *China* steamer *Glennavert* will leave Singapore on the 20th inst., and may be expected here on the 23rd inst.

CORRESPONDENCE.

OPIUM PILLS V. OPIUM-SMOKING

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."

Hongkong, 16th March.
Sir,—According to the statement in the leading article appearing in your issue of this morning, it is alleged that opium-pills and wine are taken by the opium-smokers as substitutes for opium-smoking, and the Opium Farmer is therefore entitled to have the privilege of selling the pills and wine in addition to prepared opium which he has originally monopolised for. As some of the remarks in the article referred to might mislead some people who have no knowledge of the pills and their remedial effect on the habit of opium-smoking, allow me to point out that the pills in question are medicinally prepared for cutting off the habit of opium-smoking, or at least reducing gradually the usual quantity of opium daily consumed by the confirmed smokers. Whatever large sum of money the present Opium Farmer has paid for his monopoly to sell prepared opium within this Colony has nothing to do with the present case, and he is therefore entitled to no rightful claim from the Government for preparing and selling these pills by himself.

Opium-pills, as well-known to all, are intended for the relief of the long suffering of those unfortunate who want to get rid of the habit but have not the means to do so; hence, common sense will tell us that they are taken by the confirmed smokers more as a drug than a luxury. As a matter of fact, the introduction of such drug for sale by outsiders means a direct advantage for the Opium Farmer, who had spent about \$2,400,000 to acquire the exclusive right for his business; but if humanity stands aloft, I do not think the present Opium Farmer should make any protest at all. In my humble opinion, opium-pills should not be sold by the Opium Farmer.

If it should be argued that the Government ought to protect the interest of the Farm which had generously contributed so large a sum of money to the colonial coffers for the acquirement of the monopoly, then the public should, on the other hand, look to the Opium Farmer to compensate the families and relatives of those who happen to die of opium-poisoning or those who are rendered physically unfit for earning their daily bread. Backsling my card,—Yours, etc.

OPIUM-ABSTAINER.

SUPREME COURT.

Thursday, 17th March.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR SIR WILLIAM M. GOODMAN (CHIEF JUSTICE).

A GINGER FIRM BANKRUPT.

Mr. John Hastings, solicitor, appeared in support of a petition by Joo Tak Sang for a receiving order on the Chi Loong ginger firm. He stated that the firm's act of bankruptcy was that the partners had left the Colony shortly before the China New Year, leaving the business entirely unprotected. The assets amounted to about \$5,000.

His Lordship asked if this was the well-known firm of Chi Loong or Chi Loong, ginger merchants?

Mr. Hastings said it was not.

His Lordship remarked that he supposed this was a case where a firm was using a name as nearly as possible alike to that of the Chi Loong and trading upon the latter's business.

Mr. Hastings—I believe that is so, my Lord.

His Lordship made a receiving order, and appointed Mr. Bruce Shepherd as Receiver.

A BIG DEFICIT.

In re Lau Yek Lam, ex parte Chung In Kwong, Mr. John Hastings, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes, and Maslow, solicitors, appeared in support of an application for a receiving order. He stated that the assets amounted to \$53,000, including outstanding debts, and the liabilities to, roughly, \$80,000.

In evidence, 10 petitioning creditors stated that they would be able to collect possibly about \$13,000 of the assets.

His Lordship granted a receiving order, Mr. Bruce Shepherd to be Receiver.

MORE ABSORBING CREDITORS.

The Joo Tak Sang firm and two other firms applied for a receiving order on the estate of the Cheung Hing firm, merchants.

Mr. John Hastings, solicitor, who appeared for the petitioning creditors, stated that the partners of the firm had left the Colony shortly before the China New Year, leaving in charge of the business a manager who had also since departed. Assets were estimated at about \$2,000.

His Lordship made a receiving order and appointed Mr. Bruce Shepherd to act as Receiver.

MARINE ENQUIRY.

BEFORE HON. L. BARNES LAWRENCE (HARBOUR MASTER).

An enquiry was held at the Harbour Master's office into the circumstances connected with a charge of negligent navigation, in the waters of the Colony at 125 fms. on the 16th inst., against the *Harbour Master's launch* *Lily*. The captain of the *Harbour Master's launch* *Lily* stated that when returning from the *Harbour Master's launch* *Lily* towards the *Harbour Master's launch* *Lily*, he saw the defendant's launch on his port side, crossing his bow. He took no notice at first, but after he had stopped his engine to avoid collision with the launch, he came in contact with a sampan the launch was towing.

After the defendant had spoken the Harbour Master said that neither of the coxswains properly understood the meaning of blast on the whistle. They were to be more careful in future.

In connection with this collision two men in the sampan were thrown overboard.

HONGKONG BRANCH CHINA ASSOCIATION.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Hongkong Branch of the China Association was held yesterday in the Chamber of Commerce Room, City Hall. Mr. R. Clatterton Wilcox (Chairman) presided, and there were also present Messrs. G. W. F. Playfair, D. R. Law, H. E. Tomkins, A. G. Wood, E. S. Wheeler and C. Pemberton (hon. secretary). Committee: Messrs. G. L. Tomlin, A. Forbes, G. H. Dunn, Hon. Cashin Stewart, Messrs. J. R. Michael, H. E. R. Hunter, Mr. Stewart, A. J. Raymond, G. C. Moxon, C. H. Thompson, W. G. Humphreys, and E. W. Mitchell.

The Hon. SECRETARY read the notice calling the meeting.

The CHAIRMAN said:—Gentlemen,—I propose with your leave that the report and statement of accounts be taken as read. Before addressing myself to the business of the day, I desire, on behalf of the Committee, to express our regret at the circumstances that have placed me in the chair to-day. I allude to the enforced resignation by Mr. Playfair of the Chairmanship owing to the affection of his eyesight. This, I am glad to say, much improved already, but he will need to be careful for some time not to tax it unnecessarily, and has given us plainly to understand that he will not be able to resume the duties he discharged so efficiently. I am sure we are all very much indebted to Mr. Playfair for the way in which he has conducted the business of the Association during the past year and a half. (Applause.) I do not wish to inflict a long speech upon you, but there are some points in the Committee's report upon which I propose to touch and to which, owing to receipt of advice from London since it was compiled, I can add some particulars. I would first, however, like to record our indebtedness to Mr. James Scott, our late Consul-General at Canton, for the unfailing courtesy which has always marked his relations with the Association and the sleepless energy with which he guarded British interests. (Hear, hear.) We only hope that the Association will find in the future equally able, equally zealous, and equally patriotic coadjutors among the members of the British Consular staff. (Applause.)

The British Representatives in Kwangtung can do much to serve British interests if they are not too closely yoked to red tape, and can help the Association most effectively if they are so inclined. Mr. Scott took that course, and the Association found it a pleasure to work with him. British trade in the Two Kwang is always menaced, more or less, by insidious attempts on the part of the native officials to hamper it by imposing new duties or creating fresh obstructions. Thanks to the prompt measures taken by Mr. Scott and Sir Ernest Satow several such attempts were defeated last year. Further similar attempts to create fresh sources of revenue for hungry mandarins will assuredly be made, and it is necessary for our Consular Authorities to be constantly on the alert, and for this Association to be equally vigilant to warn, aid, or to back up their representations. Since our last meeting we have secured an important success in securing the opening of eight new ports of call on the West River, which has led to a considerable development of trade on that waterway. Kowloon was also opened to foreign trade on the 7th inst., and excellent results may be expected to result from that concession. So far, Nanning, on the West River, which was to have been made a treaty port, has not been opened, and the British Government appear to be in some doubt whether this concession is worth pressing for probably because it is not as yet accessible by steamer. I think, however, that the position of Nanning as a distributing centre and the head of the junk traffic on the West River, makes it of sufficient importance to justify agitation for its eventual constitution as a treaty port, and it is too early yet to abandon the idea of being able to ascend the river to that point in flat-bottomed light draft stern-wheel steamers, at any rate for a portion of the year. At the same time it cannot be denied that the accounts of those who have ascended the river from Wuchow to Nanning agree in describing the country as poor, thinly populated, and only partially cultivated even where cultivable. Of infinitely more importance to this Colony would be the opening of Waichow as a Treaty Port. This city is the chief centre of trade on the East River and lies in the midst of a fertile and populous country. It is accessible by a good native road or path from the head of Mrs. Bay, and it could easily be placed in railway communication with Kowloon, by way of Shamchun and Shekiang. In December last your Committee addressed a letter on this subject to the London Office, for forwarding it on to the Foreign Office. A reply has come to hand, since the report was printed, in which it is pointed out that His Majesty's Government can hardly press for this concession as it forms part of the consideration to be granted to the Chinese Government in return for the payment of the surtax under Art. VIII. of the Treaty of 1892, but that the British Minister at Peking will be requested to urge upon the Chinese Ministers the desirability of opening the port without further delay unless he is of opinion that there is no likelihood of their entertaining the proposal. I trust that the Chinese Government will

be more inclined to promote progress than has hitherto been the case, since it is evident that the concession must be voluntary on their part—at least for the present. Important as the opening of Waichow is likely to prove to Hongkong, however, the question pales into insignificance beside that of the construction of the Kowloon-Canton Railway. (Applause.) It was fondly imagined when the concession for this project was obtained some five or six years ago (I see Lord Percy says it was signed on the 28th March, 1899) by a British Syndicate that steps would promptly be taken to carry it into effect. These anticipations have not been fulfilled. The Syndicate with unaccountable apathy have kept their talent wrapped in a napkin, until public opinion both here and in the United Kingdom has found earnest expression against their delay and even the Chinese (with whom procrastination is a second nature) are asking why if the Syndicate did not mean to utilise it they troubled to obtain the concession. Our late Governor, Sir Henry Blake, spoke out most impressively on this subject, when bidding the community farewell, and your Committee have not failed to follow up his suggestions. When writing on the subject of the opening of Waichow, the question of railway communication was gone into at some length, and a suggestion made for some subsidy, grant, or guarantee for that portion of the line passing through British territory. Copies of this letter were also handed to the Colonial Government and to the British and Chinese Corporations, by whom it is now being considered. I hope they will consider it for good purpose. You will observe in to-day's *Daily Press* a telegram stating that the German railway has been opened to Tsinaifu. What the Germans do we ought to be able to do. I understand that the Colonial Government have made representations on the subject to Downing Street, and I note that Earl Percy (Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs), replying to a question on the subject in the House of Commons on the 10th inst., stated that the matter was receiving very careful attention from the Government. But while there are these reassuring indications that the question is at last receiving some attention, it will not do for this Association to rest on their oars and be satisfied. It will be necessary to watch this matter ceaselessly and never lose an opportunity of pressing for immediate action. The colonists of Hongkong cannot afford to accept mere assurances on subject so vitally affecting their interests; they should never rest content until they see the tunnels being driven through the Kowloon hills, and the track being laid from the Kowloon terminus. (Applause.) Turning to another question of local interest, namely the grave violation of the King's sovereignty involved in the ruthless murder of the schoolmaster, Yeung Kue Mun, in Gage Street in September, 1900, the facts of which were disclosed at the trial of one of the assassins last May in the Supreme Court, you will observe by the appendix that the Committee did not fail to make representations on the subject, through the London Office, to the Imperial Government. No answer has, so far, been received from the Foreign Office, but we hear from the Colonial Government that the question is still engaging attention, and that the Government may be relied upon to take proper action in the circumstances. The Committee hope therefore that such steps have been taken as will prevent the repetition of acts that are calculated, while lowering British prestige, to terrorise the native population of this Colony and cause them to lose confidence in the protective power of the British flag. On the question of the maintenance of Foreign Post Offices in China, some correspondence has passed, and we have made strong recommendations that, while deprecating a resort to the methods adopted by France in opening Post Offices where there are practically no French interests, the British Government should not surrender any sign or symbol of authority or influence in China unless other Powers were prepared to follow suit. Curiously enough, we have since received advice from the London Office stating that on this question they had again addressed the Foreign Office, suggesting that the Hongkong postage stamps should be surcharged with the names of the Treaty Ports just as the French have done with the Indo-China stamps. This is the action we deprecated, and we thought we had been very explicit in the matter. You will see by the correspondence that we have been. The continued occupation of Newchwang by the Russian authorities, and their interference with the trade of that port has led to the interchange of much correspondence, and excited a great deal of just indignation on the part of those engaged in trade with this Chinese Treaty Port. I do not propose to travel over the ground again, for time will not permit. The Association has protested, the Chambers of Commerce have protested, the Foreign Office have protested, but so far with no result beyond the receipt of suave assurances from the Russian Government. The latest of these, received by Lord Lansdowne on the 8th January, was quoted in the House of Commons by Earl Percy on the 8th ult., and is to the following effect:—"In order to prevent all misunderstanding and misconception, Russia considers it indispensable, independently of the conditions which will in the future definitely determine the character of her relations with Manchuria, to declare from this day forth that she has no intention, whatever, of placing any obstacle in the way of the continued enjoyment by Foreign Powers of

the rights acquired by them in virtue of the 'Treaties now in force.' If only we could repose any trust in such assurances! Unfortunately we have listened too often to similar utterances, which are made apparently for one purpose—to gain time. These tactics precipitated hostilities if they did not cause the present war. When that struggle comes to an end it will be the duty of the Treaty Powers to see that their rights in Manchuria Treaty ports are secured, and that no interference with Chinese control is permitted in the future. (Applause.) I regret to have to record that on the important matter of the currency in China no progress has been made during the past year. The Peking Government have engaged to put their currency on a proper basis, and it is most decidedly in their interest to do so; but in this, as in everything in China, delay must be expected. As you will remember, in January we despatched a telegram to Mr. Chamberlain expressing our sympathy with his efforts to bring about a reform in the fiscal tariff so as to obtain something more like reciprocal treatment of British products and manufactures by foreign States. That telegram was followed up by a letter, which is published in the appendix to the report before you. We took advantage of the occasion to point out to the Colonial Secretary that even here, in this free port, British industries and undertakings were suffering by reason of the prohibitive tariffs of neighbouring States and the heavy subsidies made to foreign lines of steamers, which are thus enabled to compete unfairly with local shipping on the coast and in the rivers of South China. I refrain from going into detail here, but this is one of the questions of the future which will have to be agitated. It is interesting to note the present attitude of the Government on this question, which cropped up in the House of Commons on the 8th ult. Earl Percy, replying to a amendment moved to the Address by Mr. Walton, who maintained that it was the duty of the Government to maintain or increase British trade, said:—"So long as the country adhered to its present fiscal policy that was not only not the duty of the British Government, but it was a duty not in their power to discharge." He went on to intimate, in most unmistakable language, that unless the Government changed its fiscal policy and more or less adopted that of foreign countries in giving subsidies, drawbacks, and preferences, they could only see that an open door to trade was kept and not a door that was occasionally ajar. I think, however, gentlemen, that the time is coming when British trade will require something more than this, that it will need to be placed on fair and equal terms with that of other countries, and if those countries endeavour to foster their shipping or their manufactures by subsidies or bounties, we shall, in self-defence, have to ask our Government to at least impose extra tonnage or light dues on subsidised shipping or a special tax on bounty-fed manufactures in order to place them on an equality with our own ships or goods. (Applause.) I think there is nothing more that I can usefully add, and will simply propose that the report and accounts before you be now adopted. (Applause.)

Hon. GERSHOM STEWART.—Mr. Chairman and gentlemen,—I have very much pleasure in endorsing the adoption of the report and accounts. The report came into my hands about two days ago, and when Mr. Wilcox asked me to second the motion for its adoption I hardly thought I would have time to know very much about what the Association has been doing. However, I am glad to say that when I opened the report and began to read it, the subject-matter of which it treated was of such interest that I read it right through without once putting it down. I congratulate the committee on the useful work they have done, especially since the latter half of 1903, when they have actively tackled several very important subjects. The three which occur to me as the most interesting are the occupation of Newchwang by the Russians in violation of all pledges and treaties, the construction of the railway between here and Canton, and the opening of Waichow. With regard to the first, I feel that protests such as ours will carry considerable weight with our Home Government, especially at a moment such as the present. It seems to me that, although our country has taken no active steps to vindicate its treaty rights openly, protests such as that which has been sent forward by this committee will strengthen them in their determination to support to the utmost of their ability what our allies are endeavouring now by all the efforts in their power to secure—free and open rights in Manchuria to all traders. (Applause.) With regard to the construction of the railway, I do not know enough about it to express an opinion about the deviation of route which the committee's letter of 12th December recommends. But I am heartily glad to see that the committee have addressed themselves to the British and Chinese Corporation upon the subject of this long hung-up concession. I am of opinion that failing every other means of making that railway to guarantee a moderate interest on the cost of construction. In any case the amount the Colony would be liable for would not be very great, and if the railway prospered the guarantee of a certain interest might never be called upon; and I consider that even in the event of a small deficit in the first year or two the prospects of a fair revenue from that railway are extremely good. (Applause.)—Because the Canton delta is, as we all know, both fertile and populous. In regard to the opening of Waichow, that is a thing that I hope the committee will always bear in mind and, if the railway is

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brought into the field of practical politics, will press for. (Applause.) It seems from all accounts to be necessary as a link in the railway between Kowloon and Canton, which if taken in the way the committee recommend would not interfere with the great interests we have in our steamers on the waterway, and would render it impossible for anybody else to develop any port on the banks of the river against this port. (Applause.) I was very pleased to see that the committee in their letter of 12th December quoted the weighty words which Sir Henry Blake gave on his going away on this subject, and I am very glad to see that the Officer Administering the Government (page 25 of this report) has taken the matter specially under his control; at least he has brought all the influence he has got to bear on that point. I think we are not unduly sanguine when we think that with all these different influences brought to bear on it, this railway will be made to go ahead by some means or other. (Applause.) Well, gentlemen, after reading these letters I felt that the committee were fortunate in having their views put forward in such thoughtful and lucid way as the Chairman has done. With regard to the accounts we are in a very happy position; money is coming in and very little going out. The account is mostly on one side. I have no doubt that as our balance increases we will find some useful means of utilising it. (Applause.) With these remarks, I have very much pleasure in seconding the adoption of the report and accounts.

The motion was carried unanimously.

The next business was the election of a Committee.

Mr. G. L. TOMLIN moved that the present Committee be re-elected en bloc as follows:—Messrs. R. C. Wilcox, D. R. Law, H. E. Tomkins, G. W. F. Playfair, A. G. Wood, E. S. Wheeler, and W. J. Saunders.

Mr. E. W. MITCHELL seconded, and the motion was agreed to unanimously.

This was all the public business.

POLICE COURT.

Thursday, 17th March.

BEFORE MR. T. SERCOMBE SMITH
(POLICE MAGISTRATE).

PENALTY FOR GETTING MARRIED.

Ho Fui had been a boatman in the employ of the Water Police for the past twelve months. On the 4th inst. he left his uniform at the Station, and donning plain clothes walked out, and remained away until the afternoon of the 16th inst., when he was arrested while walking on the street by a Chinese P.C. Inspector Langley took charge of the case and prosecuted him for desertion. Evidence was given by Inspector Langley that defendant was absent from duty on the 4th inst. He had not asked for or obtained leave. Witness instructed his men to look out for him and arrest him if found. On the evening of the 16th inst. he was brought to the Station by a Chinese P.C. He was dressed in plain clothes. Defendant said that he wanted to go to Canton to get married, and so he went. He was a new man, and did not know that he must ask for leave. He did not intend to desert. He was on his way to the Station when he was arrested. He came back to Hongkong on the 16th, and that night he slept at the station. It was pointed out to him that that was not of his own accord, as he was kept there under arrest. Continuing, defendant said the reason he did not return to the station at once was because he had a letter to deliver for a friend in Canton, and was going to the station after delivering the letter.

His Worship said that there was no evidence to show that the defendant intended to desert, but it was clear that he had absented himself from duty without leave, contrary to the ordinances. He must therefore be convicted on that count, and must go to 4 days hard labour, with 3 hours in the stocks, as a deterrent to his confederates on the Force.

BRIEBERY.

Chau Yau, a petty trader in Kowloon, was charged with offering \$4, by way of a bribe to Lam Hi, Chinese P.C. 225, with intent to influence his conduct in the execution of his duty as a public servant. Chau Yau was arrested for causing an obstruction by leaving his stand on the path. When arrested he offered \$4 to the constable to release him and let him go. Evidence was adduced in proof of the charge, and defendant had nothing to say, beyond a weak attempt to deny the charge. His Worship said these people must learn they must not offer bribes to policemen, and to help him to learn that lesson defendant must go to 1 month's hard labour, with 3 hours in the stocks, and the \$4 was ordered to be placed in the poor-box.

STOWAWAY.

After leaving Shanghai Mr. G. E. Bridge, second officer, s.s. *Empress of China*, discovered one Choi Yuen stowed away on board that vessel, while on her way to Hongkong. On arrival here Mr. Bridge procured the man for obtaining a passport from Shanghai to Hongkong without the permission of the master, owners, or agents of the said steamer, he having no money to pay

for his ticket, nor sufficient chattels to pay for same. Defendant set up the usual defence, that he "wanted to come to Hongkong to get work." His Worship said he would provide him with work for 1 month as he must go to hard labour for that period in default of his paying the passage money. He had no money, and went to hard labour.

A JUVENILE THIEF.

An urchin, who said he was thirteen years old, looked nine, was charged with being found in a house in Market Street, in the absence of the owner, and endeavouring to remove some books. When arrested he said that the books were stolen from his father the day before. He was passing the house when he saw the books, so went in to get them. It was proved that he had neither father or mother, but was earning a precarious existence as a coolie, porter, or messenger when he could get a job. Prisoner said he was a native of Canton. His Worship asked him if he was allowed to go to Canton, would he promise never to return to Hongkong? Prisoner said he would, at that he had no money to get there. His Worship said he would look after that, and instructed the Police to put him on last night's boat for Canton, but he must first have a whipping, and must receive 10 strokes with the birch-rod. Prisoner: "I shall die if I get such a beating as that." His Worship: "I don't think so! Take him away."

OPIUM.

Fifteen Chinese were up for being in possession of various amounts of prepared and gross opium not provided for by their certificates. Fines: \$5 to \$85.

VAGRANTS.

Hermann Koller, German, and Vladimir Leonov, Russian, both of no occupation and no fixed abode, were charged with being vagrants, and roaming about the streets with no visible means of subsistence. They could or would give no account of themselves, and were remanded to the House of Detention, until they could communicate by writing with their respective consuls.

UNLICENSED PROCESSIONS.

A number of Chinamen were summoned for organising processions to parade the streets of Hongkong, without having previously obtained the necessary permits from the Registrar-General. The men said they had applied for the licences, but had not obtained them. They held the processions without the licences. His Worship pointed out that applications were not sufficient, and that they had no right to ignore the Registrar-General's authority, and they must pay \$50 each, and hold no more processions without the necessary permits.

GAMBLING.

A party of ten gamblers were arraigned before His Worship on charges of gambling, and using a house as a common gambling-den, at No. 29 Gough Street, on the 16th inst. Evidence proved the case for the prosecution, and the defendants, having no defence to offer, were sentenced, the first and second, as tenants of the house and manager of the game respectively, were fined \$25 each, and the rest \$5 each with the usual alternative.



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31, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL

(First Floor Watkin's Building).

Hongkong, 18th February, 1904.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

WANTED.

AN ADDITIONAL RUSSIAN TEACHER
This Day, Business Training Studio, Watkins Buildings, Principal, Warwick Road, Hongkong, 18th March, 1904. [775]

WANTED.

FIRST-CLASS CHINESE BROKER
can obtain good, paying employment by addressing—
BOX 901,
Care of Daily Press Office,
Hongkong, 18th March, 1904. [776]

PUBLIC AUCTION

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction (FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED), TODAY (FRIDAY), the 18th March, 1904, at 3.30 p.m., at the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO.'S GODOWNS, Kowloon, W. H. 658 PIGS L. B. LEAD (About 40 Tons).

TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers,
Hongkong, 18th March, 1904. [777]

"BAUBER" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "SAINT BEDU,"
FROM NEW YORK.
CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

All Goods remaining undelivered after the 24th inst., will be subject to sale.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

A General Average bond lying at the Office of the undersigned has to be signed and a deposit paid before delivery of the Goods can be obtained.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by **DODWELL & CO., LD.,**
Agents,
Hongkong, 16th March, 1904. [774]

SIENTING.

SURGEON D. E. ST.
No. 10, DEQUILLA STREET.

TERMS VERY MODERATE.
Consultation Free.
Hongkong, 21st March, 1903. [773]

NOTICE.

THE following Articles FOUND at Government House after the Ball on 3rd and 24th February, are still unclaimed:—

1 SMALL FEATHER FAN.
1 PR. LADY'S WHITE KID GLOVES.
2 BLACK VEILS.
1 WHITE VEIL.
1 KNITTED GLOVE.
1 LADY'S HANDBAGGIES INITIALLED M.
1 SMALL JAPANESE FAN.
1 PR. WHITE BUCKRIN GLOVES.
1 SMALL GOLD BROOCH.
1 SMALL GOLD STUD.
M. R. HURLEY, Capt., A.D.C.
Hongkong, 8th March, 1904. [695]

D. AVID CORSAI & SON'S
MERCHANT NAVY
NAVY BOILED
ONG FLAX
RELIANCE CROWN
TARPAULING
AENHOLD, KARBURG & CO.
Sole Agents.
3486]

COLD STORAGE.

THE HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LD.,
have now 40,000 cubic feet of Ice, Storage available at EAST POINT. Stores will be open at 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. daily. Supplies accepted to receive and deliver perishable goods.

WM. PARLANE, Manager.
Hongkong, 18th November, 1901. [657]

NOW ON SALE.

A BOOK FOR THE GLOBETROTTER
"FROM HONGKONG TO CANTON BY THE PEARL RIVER."
BY CAPTAIN C. V. LLOYD (A.S. "HANKOW")
With Illustrations, Maps and Plans.
Price.....\$1.50

On Sale at—
Hongkong: "Daily Press" Office,
Messrs. KELLY & WALSH,
Messrs. W. BURNER & CO.
Canton: Messrs. A. S. WATSON & CO.
Hongkong, 4th October, 1903. [28]

PURE FRESH WATER.

THE HONGKONG STEAM WATER
BOAT CO., LD., is prepared to supply ANY QUANTITY OF PURE FRESH WATER to the Shipping, both for Deck and Boilers.

Call Flag W.
J. W. KEW,
Manager,
1st Floor, 37, Connaught Rd.
Hongkong, 13th June, 1903. [3349]

AUTOMATIC MAUSER

PISTOLS.
CALIBRE 7.65 mm.
With CHAMBER for 10 CARTRIDGES
FIRING 10 SHOTS IN 2 SECONDS.
REMSEN & CO.
Hongkong, 3rd October, 1900. [45]

MAIL TABLES

FOR 1904.
Mounted on Card.....30 cents
Paper.....20 cents
On Sale at the Daily Press Office,
Hongkong, 5th March, 1904.

INTIMATIONS

HONGKONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE FIFTH HALF-YEARLY DRAWING OF SIXTY-FIVE DEBENTURES of the Hongkong Club, payable on THURSDAY, the 31st MARCH, 1904, will be held at the Hongkong Club House, at 11 o'clock a.m. TOMORROW (SATURDAY), the 19th MARCH, 1904.

Bearers of Debentures are invited to attend the Drawing.

By Order,
C. H. GRACE,
Secretary.
[714]

Hongkong, 11th March, 1904.

DEVONIAN SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL DEVONIAN DINNER will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL TOMORROW (SATURDAY), the 19th MARCH, at 8 o'clock p.m.

Devonians wishing to attend are requested to communicate with the undersigned.

MOWELLY S. NORTHCOTE,
Hon. Secretary.
[706]

Hongkong, 9th March, 1904.

HONGKONG FOOTBALL CLUB.

THE ANNUAL DINNER will be held in the HONGKONG HOTEL on SATURDAY, 26th MARCH, at 7.45 for 8 p.m.

Members who wish to be present are requested to send in their names to the undersigned at the Chartered Bank, not later than THURSDAY, 24th instant.

H. F. CHARD,
Hon. Secretary,
Hongkong, 17th March, 1904. [706]

WANTED.

GOOD CLERK Wanted, European or other.

Apply to—
ROBINSON PIANO CO., LD.,
Hongkong, 10th February, 1904. [486]

ENGLISH LI-SON'S.

ENGLISH LADY wishes to give private LESSONS in ENGLISH. Speaks German, which would be an advantage to German Ladies or Gentlemen requiring tuition.

Apply—
BOX 689,
Care of Daily Press Office,
Hongkong, 16th March, 1904. [709]

WANTED.

TWO CHINESE MASTERS for a School in Yunnan. A knowledge of English and Mandarin necessary. Applications should be addressed to the EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 5th March, 1904. [602]

WANTED.

AN EXPERIENCED ASSISTANT TEACHER for the Diocesan Boys' School.

Apply to—
Rev. F. T. JOHNSON,
St. John's Cathedral,
Hongkong, 17th March, 1904. [708]

WANTED FOR THE NORTH.

A GOOD STENOGRAPHER and TYPE WRITER. Good inducements to suitable man.

Address—
T,
Care of King Edward Hotel,
Hongkong, 17th March, 1904. [709]

FOR SALE.

By kind permission of Gentlemen present at the battle of Chumpeu Mr. A. FONG, the well-known Local Photographer, has on Sale the best collections of WAR PICTURES in the Colony.—No. 4, ICE HOUSE ROAD.

Hongkong, 15th March, 1904. [739]

FOR SALE.

THE STOCK in Trade and Good Will of an Old Established Bicycle Firm in the Colony, situated in a good locality.

Apply by letter to—
"BICYCLE,"
Care of Daily Press Office,
Hongkong, 26th February, 1904. [687]

FOR SALE.

OWNERS leaving the Colony, the Cruiser Yacht "PROVIL," 58 feet over all, cabin with accommodation for four Europeans, party, &c., with all fittings complete. Suitable for parties or show boat parties.

May be inspected on application to THE ITALIAN FAREAST TRADING CO.,
10, Des Vaux Road,
Hongkong, 7th March, 1904. [674]

AT THE PEAK.

FOR SALE, FIVE-ROOMED HOUSE, with or without Furniture, together with Large Croquet Ground.

For Terms and Particulars, apply to—
TURNER & CO.,
Hongkong, 20th March, 1904. [613]

QUAN WAH & CO.

GRANITE MERCHANT CONTRACTORS.
Dealers in—
MARBLE and GRANITE MONUMENTS
No. 1, QUEEN'S ROAD EAST.
Estimates, Designs & Prices on Application.
All descriptions of Granite for Export.
Hongkong, 17th October, 1904. [251]

NOTICE OF FIRM

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, I, the undersigned LEUNG SING HAU TONG have this Day transferred all my Share and Interest in the Business of the WING YU LOONG LAI KEE of No. 374, Des Vaux Road West, and in the Business of the HOO HING LONG of No. 346, Des Vaux Road West to TAM CHEUK SAI, and that I have no further Interest or Responsibility in the said businesses.

Dated this 12th March, 1904.
堂厚承渠
西輝

NOTICE.

MR. WILHELM DOMNICH has been authorized to Sign our Firm at Canton per Procuration.

REUTER, BROCKELMANN & CO.,
Hongkong, 16th March, 1904. [754]

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By Order of the Board,
G. A. WATKINS,
General Managers,
Hongkong, 14th March, 1904. [734]

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HONGKONG PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY.

THE SECOND SUBSCRIPTION CONCERT

will be given on TUESDAY, 29th MARCH, at 5.30 p.m. in the CITY HALL, when MENDELSSOHN'S HYMN OF PRAISE will be given by FULL CHOIR and ORCHESTRA.

Prices of Admission to non-subscribers \$3 & \$1.
PETER DOW,
Hon. Secretary (res.),
H. W. D. SCHMIDT,
Hon. Secretary (Orchestra),
Hongkong, 11th March, 1904. [716]

PROPOSALS FOR FROZEN FRESH MEAT.

NOTICE.—Headquarters Division of the Philippines Office of the Chief Commissary, Manila, P.I., August 25th, 1903.—Sealed proposals, in triplicate, will be received at this Office until 11 o'clock, a.m., March 19th, 1904, at which time and place they will be opened in the presence of the attending officers for the furnishing and delivery of six million six hundred thousand (6,600,000) pounds of frozen fresh beef and four hundred and eighty thousand (480,000) pounds of frozen fresh mutton to the Subsistence Department at Manila, P.I., during the year ending June 30, 1905. Those accepted bids and mutton will be admitted free of Customs duties. The United States reserves the right to decrease the amount called for in the contract, by not to exceed 4% upon reasonable notice to the contractor; or to increase the amount called for, with the consent of the contractor. Each proposal must be accompanied by a Bidder's Guarantee in the amount of \$20,000, or by certified check for that amount on a bank of approved standing in Manila. The bidder to whom the contract is awarded will be required to give bond, the penalty of which will be fixed by the Chief Commissary. Information furnished on application. Envelopes containing proposals should be marked: "Proposals for frozen fresh beef and frozen fresh mutton for F.Y. 1905, to be opened March 19th, 1904, and addressed to the undersigned—HENRY G. SHARPE, Colonel, A.C.G., U.S. Army, Chief Commissary."

THE AMERICAN SYSTEM OF DENTISTRY.

DE. M. H. CHAUN,
27, Des Vaux Road CENTRAL HONGKONG
From the University of Pennsylvania, U.S.A.
Hongkong, 10th March, 1903. [64]

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Hongkong, 5th January, 1904. [128]

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

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By Command, A. M. THOMSON,
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Colonial Secretary's Office,
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T. SERCOMBE SMITH,
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Magistracy,
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FURNITURE STORE.
PLATED GLASS AND CROCKERY
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Hongkong, 21st September, 1903. [31]

NOTICE TO KOWLOON RESIDENTS

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PUBLIC COMPANIES

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP CO., LD.

THE TWENTY-FIRST ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

in the above Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, No. 14, Des Vaux Road, Victoria, TOMORROW (SATURDAY), the 19th MARCH, 1904, at 11 a.m., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1903.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, the 16th MARCH, to SATURDAY, the 19th MARCH (both days inclusive).

By Order of the Board,
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers,
Hongkong, 5th March, 1904. [678]

THE CHINA-BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FIRST ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, No. 4, Queen's Road Central, on THURSDAY, the 19th MARCH, 1904, at 12 o'clock Noon,

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Hongkong, 3rd March, 1904. [60]

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CODE WORD: "DOCK" NAGASAKI
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Used.

DOCK No. 1 (at TATEGAMI).
Extreme Length... 523 feet.
Length on Blocks... 513
Width of Entrance on Top... 89
Width of Entrance on Bottom... 77
Water on Blocks at Spring Tide... 284

DOCK No. 2 (at NUKAJIMA).
Extreme Length... 371 feet.
Length on Blocks... 350
Width of Entrance on Top... 66
Width of Entrance on Bottom... 53
Water on Blocks at Spring Tide... 32
PATENT SLIP (at KOSUGE).
Can take vessels up to 1,000 tons gross.

THE WORKS are well equipped with the
LATEST IMPROVEMENTS and are
executed any kind of work in SHIPBUILD-
ING and MARINE ENGINEERING as well
as in REPAIRING OF SHIPS.
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STEAMER, 718 TONS GROSS, Fitted
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AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions
to sell by Public Auction,
TO-DAY (FRIDAY),
the 18th March, 1904, commencing at 2.30 P.M.
at his SALES ROOMS, Duddell Street,
A COLLECTION OF
JAPANESE CURIOS,
Comprising:-
SATSUMA VASES and JARS, IMAEI
PLATES, CLOISONNE (Silver and other-
wise), OLD BRONZE VASES, SILK
EMBROIDERED SCREENS, and a Variety
of TEA-SSETS, &c., &c.
Catalogues will be issued.
On View from 17th March, 1904.
GEO. P. LAMBERT,
Auctioneer.
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JAPANESE ART, SILVERWARE
INLAIN WITH IVORY & CLOISONNE,
Comprising:-
VASES, BOWLS, POWDER BOXES,
CIGARETTE CASES, MATCH BOXES,
BUCKLES, CHARMS, etc., etc.;
Also
A QUANTITY OF SATSUMA, CLOISONNE,
PORCELAIN WARE, etc., etc., etc.
On View from Thursday, the 17th March.
Catalogues will be issued.
Terms:-Cash on delivery.
GEO. P. LAMBERT,
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Hongkong, 16th March, 1904. [758]

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THE Undersigned has received instructions
to sell by Public Auction,
TO-MORROW (SATURDAY),
the 19th March, 1904, at 2.30 P.M., at his
SALES ROOMS, Queen's Road,
SUNDRY FURNITURE, 1 ELECTRIC
FAN, 1 FLUTE, 1 OLD VIOLIN, 2
COMPASSES, 2 ANEMOMETERS, 1 STEAM
GAUGE, 1 WALKER'S PATENT CHUBB
LOCK, 1 ENGINE 4in. STROKE, &c., &c.,
SILKS, CRETONNE, MUSLINS, TABLE
COVERS, DRESS MATERIAL, SUIT
LENGTHS, SOCKS, &c.;
STRAW HATS and LADIES' HATS;
&c., &c., &c.
TERMS OF SALE:-As Customary.
V. I. REMEDIOS,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 17th March, 1904. [767]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS OF
the Letting by Public Auction, to be
held on MONDAY, the 21st day of MARCH
1904, at 3 P.M., at the Office of the Public
Works Department, by Order of His Excellency
the Officer Administering the Government, of
One Lot of Crown Foreshore and Sea Bed at
North Point, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a
term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at
Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His
Majesty the KING, for one further term of
75 years. [745]

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale.	Regist. No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in Square Feet	Annual Rent	Upset Price.
1	255	Point	400 144 122 445 130 132 2,076	70,406		

PUBLIC AUCTION.

BY Order of the Mortgagee, Mr. GEO. P. LAMBERT,
will sell by
PUBLIC AUCTION,
on
MONDAY,
the 21st day of MARCH, 1904, at 3 o'clock P.M.,
at his SALES ROOM, Duddell Street,
THE VERY VALUABLE LEASEHOLD
PROPERTY,
being Nos. 3 and 4, West End Terrace, Bonham
Road, situate at Victoria in the Colony
of Hongkong.

The following are the Particulars:-
All that piece or parcel of ground situate at
Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong and
registered in the Land Office as section 4 of
Inland Lot No. 689, containing in area 7500
square feet and is held for the residue of the
term of 99 years commencing on the 28th day
of June, 1861, created therein by a Crown lease
of the said Inland Lot No. 689 dated the 28th
day of October, 1861, together with the
messuages or tenements and other erections and
buildings thereon known as Nos. 3 and 4, West
End Terrace and which said piece or parcel of
ground is held subject to the payment of \$28.08
the annual Crown Rent and to the observance
and performance of the covenants and conditions
contained in the said Crown Lease.
Monthly rental of No. 3, West End Terrace
\$50 including taxes.
Monthly rental of No. 4, West End Terrace
\$50 including taxes.
For further particulars and conditions of sale
apply to:-
Mr. GEO. K. HALL BRUTON,
Solicitor for the Vendor,
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Hongkong, 15th March, 1904. [746]

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CHESS NOTES.

BY X. Y. Z.

Very little has been happening in local Chess
circles lately; a fact which must be the present
writer's excuse for the disappearance of
"Chess Notes" for a considerable period. Last
Wednesday, however, there was an interesting
match at the Chess Club, Mr. G. A. Woodcock
pitting together a team to meet the Club's
"A" team—practically the Club team with the
four top players barred. In addition, the visitors
included in their ranks one Club member, Mr.
J. H. Komp, who won his game. The result
of a close match was a win for the Chess Club
by 3 games to 2. The following was the score,
the names being arranged alphabetically in the
winners' list:-

H.K.C.H.C.	MR. WOODCOCK'S TEAM
C. R. S. Cooper	1 J. R. Wood
E. A. Duster	1 Dr. Parsons
R. H. Newborn	0 J. H. Komp
W. W. Polling	1 Dr. Gibson
T. Swaby	0 G. A. Woodcock
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The Cambridge Spring Chess Congress,
U.S.A., will be treated in the States with
becoming hospitality, it goes without saying.
Among other arrangements already made for the
competitors is a reception at the White
House on the 19th prox. Play will probably
commence on the 25th prox. Assempnances
include Lasker, Janowski, Schlechter, and
Teichmann.

A chess tournament commenced at Monte
Carlo on the 8th ult., the competitors numbering
six—Messrs. Gunsberg, Marek, Marozzi,
Marshall, Schlechter, and Swiderski. At the end of
the third round the scores were:—Marshall,
2½; Marozzi and Schlechter, 2½; Marek, 1½;
Swiderski, 1; Gunsberg, 0. The first prize is
5,000 francs.

A Plymouth paper talks of a correspondence
player of rare enthusiasm. It says: "Charles
Platt, of Wetherall, has conducted as many as
117 correspondence games at one time, though
at present, business being quiet, he has only a
paltry seventy-six on hand. He replies to his
opponents at the rate of twenty-five moves per
hour, and each evening sits down flunked by a
timing clock; and deals with his many post
cards at that rate. His boards are of the
foldable cardboard type, which can be packed
away in a drawer, and of these he possesses
1000."

There is a certain amount of amusement to
be derived from blunders in the openings,
common though they are. A home paper
recently recorded one worthy of notice, which
occurred in a match. This short and merry
game ran as follows:—1 P-K4, P-K4, 2
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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.
 Mar. 16, ANDALUSIA, German str., 4,753, G. Schmid, Teintat 12th March, General.—HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.
 Mar. 16, NINGPO, British str., 1,240, Boyd, Shanghai 13th March, General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.
 Mar. 16, SAINT BEDE, British str., 2,288, J. W. Hartley, Manila 12th March, General.—DODWELL & CO., LD.
 Mar. 17, ALBENGA, German str., 2,769, B. Petersen, Shanghai 13th Mar., General.—CARLWITZ & CO.
 Mar. 17, ANNAM, French str., 3,322, G. Truok, Haiphong 13th March, General.—MELCHERS & CO.
 Mar. 17, CHOYBANG, British str., 1,424, H. J. Koops, Shanghai 12th March and Swatow 16th, General.—JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.
 Mar. 17, KATANGA, British str., 2,734, McBride, Barry 27th Jan. and Singapore 10th Mar., Coal.—C. R. WITZ & CO.
 Mar. 17, LOOSAN, British str., 1,092, G. S. Weigall, Manila 14th March, General.—JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.
 Mar. 17, NERDUS, British str., 2,995, J. P. Sumner, Moji 12th Mar., General.—BRADLEY & CO.
 Mar. 17, TILATJAP, Dutch str., 2,478, H. Koops, Amoy 16th March, General.—HOLLAND CHINA TRADING CO.
 Mar. 17, WUCHANG, British str., 801, Finlayson, Hilo 13th March, Sugar.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

CLEARANCES.

At the Harbour Master's Office.
 17th March.
 Andalusia, German str., for Calcutta.
 Cheong, British str., for Canton.
 Saint Bede, British str., for Shanghai.
 Tiboria, German str., for Shanghai.
 Triumph, German str., for Swatow.

DEPARTURES.

16th March.
 VICTORIA, American str., for Tacoma.
 17th March.
 AMBERSON, British str., for Diamond Island.
 AUSTRALIAN, British str., for Yokohama.
 BONNE, British str., for Singapore.
 CARL DUDRICHSEN, German str., for Pakhoi.
 CHOWTAT, German str., for Bangkok.
 LSA, German str., for Saigon.
 EVA, Norwegian str., for Saigon.
 GLAUCUS, British str., for London.
 HAILONG, British str., for Swatow.
 NINGPO, British str., for Canton.
 ONBANG, British str., for Samang.
 PHRANZING, German str., for Bangkok.
 WHAMPOA, British str., for Shanghai.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

17th March.
 ABERDEEN DOCKS.—
 KOWI ON DOCKS.—H. I. G. M. S. Meow.
 H. M. S. Glory, Ellen Rickmers, Lin Tan, Solent, Soester, Hanou, U.S.S. Kentucky, Stolberg, Chentian.
 COSMOPOLITAN DOCK.—Salfordia.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.
 FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOCHOW.
 The Company's Steamship.

"THALES."
 Captain Robson, will be despatched for the above ports TO-MORROW, the 19th inst., at Noon.
 For Freight or Passage, apply to
 DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & CO.,
 General Managers.
 Hongkong, 16th March, 1904. [763]

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.
 NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.
 HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

FOR SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, HIogo AND YOKOHAMA.
 THE Imperial German Mail Steamship.

"HAMBURG."
 OF THE HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.
 Captain E. Burmeister, due here with the outward German Mail about FRIDAY, at 5 P.M., will leave for the above places about 12/24 hours after arrival.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.
 For further Particulars, apply to
 MELCHERS & CO.,
 Agents.
 Hongkong, 16th March, 1904. [5]

COMPAGNIE DES MESSEGERIES MARITIMES.
 PAQUEBOTS-POSTE FRANCAIS.

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.
 THE Company's Steamship.

"SALAZIE."
 Captain Negro, will be despatched for the above ports on or about TUESDAY, the 22nd inst.
 For Freight or Passage, apply to
 G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
 Agent.
 Hongkong, 16th March, 1904. [2]



AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.
 THE Company's Steamship.

"FRANZ FERDINAND."
 Captain Matovich, will leave for the above places on WEDNESDAY, the 23rd inst., P.M.
 This Steamer has capital accommodation for Passengers, Electric Light and carries a Doctor.
 For Freight or Passage, apply to
 SANDER, WIELER & CO.,
 Agents,
 Princes' Buildings.
 Hongkong, 16th March, 1904. [3]

FOR CANTON.

THE new and fast Twin-Screw Steamer

"SAN CHEUNG."
 951 Tons, Captain A. Murphy, will leave for Canton at 3.30 P.M. on SUNDAYS, TUESDAYS and THURSDAYS and return to Hongkong on the following days, leaving Canton at 5 P.M. Excellent accommodation, electric light, and perfect cuisine. Wharf at Hongkong near Harbour Office.

First-class Fare, \$3 each way. Second-class, \$1.50 each way. Meals, \$1 each. Cargo, Freight very moderate.

CHEUNG ON STEAMBOAT CO., LD.,
 No. 147, Commaught Road Central.
 Hongkong, 15th March, 1904. [27]

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING.

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	FLAG	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON & ANTWERP	AXAX	Brit. str.	Brit. str.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow.
LONDON, &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL	SIMLA	Brit. str.	E. F. Summers	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	26th inst. at Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP	PAK LING	Brit. str.	Brit. str.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	29th inst.
LONDON & ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	JAVA	Brit. str.	S. Barcham	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 30th inst.
LONDON & ANTWERP	MACHION	Brit. str.	Brit. str.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	12th April.
MARSEILLES, &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL	TELEMACHUS	Brit. str.	Brit. str.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	26th April.
HEBREM, VIA PORTS OF CALL	STONY	Brit. str.	Brit. str.	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	22nd inst. at 1 P.M.
HAYRE & HAMBURG	PREUSSEN	Ger. str.	E. Prehn	MELCHERS & CO.	30th inst. at Noon.
ST. NAZAIRE, HAYRE & HAMBURG	SAMBIA	Ger. str.	Luning	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	21st inst.
HAYRE & HAMBURG	ALESSINIA	Ger. str.	Piller	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	26th April.
HAYRE & HAMBURG	BRIGAVIA	Ger. str.	Schulke	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	12th April.
HAYRE & HAMBURG	SUEVA	Ger. str.	Dobren	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	26th April.
HAYRE & HAMBURG	ARTEMISIA	Ger. str.	Gronmeyer	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	12th April.
HAYRE & HAMBURG	MAEBURG	Ger. str.	Stern	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	12th April.
HAYRE & HAMBURG	STRASSBURG	Ger. str.	Madsen	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	12th April.
TRIESTE, &c., VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	SILBIA	Aus. str.	Stabile	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	26th April.
GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	KENNEBEC	Brit. str.	Geo. R. Wallace	STANDARD OIL CO.	About 2nd inst.
NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL	AFRIM	Brit. str.	Brit. str.	DODWELL & CO., LD.	Early April.
NEW YORK, VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL	E. OF CHINA	Brit. str.	Brit. str.	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	30th inst.
VANCOUVER, VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	ATHENIAN	Brit. str.	Brit. str.	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	27th April.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & SEATTLE VIA NAKI, &c.	NINGCHOW	Brit. str.	Brit. str.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	23rd inst.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & TACOMA VIA JAPAN	TREMONT	Brit. str.	T. W. Garlick	DODWELL & CO., LIMITED	25th inst.
PORTLAND, OREGON	INDASAMHA	Brit. str.	W. E. Craven	PORTLAND & ASIATIC CO.	24th inst.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	CHINGTU	Brit. str.	Brit. str.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	8th April.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE	PALAWAN	Brit. str.	J. D. Andrews	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 21st inst.
MOJI, SALINA CRUZ (MEXICO) &c.	ATHOL	Brit. str.	Watt	CHINA COM. S. S. CO.	26th inst. at Noon.
SHANGHAI	CHINGTU	Brit. str.	Brit. str.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	23rd inst.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	KWANG	Brit. str.	Brit. str.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, P.M.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	PALEAZIE	Brit. str.	Vogel	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow, D'light.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, HIogo & YOKOHAMA	P. FERDINAND	Brit. str.	Brit. str.	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	About 22nd inst.
AMOI, MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	BENGAL	Brit. str.	G. Phillips	SANDER, WIELER & CO.	23rd inst. P.M.
FOCHOW, VIA SWATOW & AMOI	HAMBURG	Brit. str.	Brit. str.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 27th inst.
TAMSEI, VIA SWATOW & AMOI	SHANGHAI	Brit. str.	Brit. str.	MELCHERS & CO.	Quick despatch.
TAMSEI, VIA SWATOW & AMOI	SHANGHAI	Brit. str.	Brit. str.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow Noon.
SWATOW, AMOI & FOCHOW	TRIUMPH	Brit. str.	A. Hansen	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	To-day, at 10 A.M.
MANILA DIRECT	FRITHJOF	Brit. str.	H. A. Haraldsen	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	20th inst. at 10 A.M.
MANILA DIRECT	M. STURVE	Brit. str.	T. Brandt	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	27th inst. at 10 A.M.
MANILA DIRECT	TRITOS	Brit. str.	H. Kraft	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	23rd inst. at 10 A.M.
MANILA DIRECT	THALES	Brit. str.	Robson	DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & CO.	To-morrow, Noon.
MANILA DIRECT	RUBI	Brit. str.	R. W. Almond	SHAWAN, TOMES & CO.	To-day, at 5 P.M.
MANILA DIRECT	ZAFIRO	Brit. str.	R. Rodger	SHAWAN, TOMES & CO.	26th inst. at 10 A.M.
MANILA DIRECT	SHAWMUT	Brit. str.	W. M. Smith	DODWELL & CO., LD.	About 30th April.
WUCHANG	WUCHANG	Brit. str.	Brit. str.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	22nd inst. at 4 P.M.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSEGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS-POSTE FRANCAIS.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, ADEN, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS, LONDON, HAYRE, BORDEAUX.

PORTS OF BRAZIL AND RIVER PLATE.

ON TUESDAY, the 22nd March, 1904 at 1 P.M., the Company's Steamship "SYDNEY," Captain Blanc, with Mail Passengers, Specie and Cargo, will leave this Port for MARSEILLES via Ports of Call, WITHOUT TRANSSHIPMENT.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon only on Monday, the 21st March. Specie and Parcels received until 4 P.M. on the same day. No Cargo will be received on board on Tuesday. Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office. Contents and Value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.
 Hongkong, 10th March, 1904. [12]

STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.
 (With liberty to call at Philippine Ports.)

THE Steamship

"KENNEBEC."
 Captain Geo. R. Wallace, will be despatched as above on or about WEDNESDAY, the 23rd inst.

For Freight or further information, apply to
 STANDARD OIL COMPANY
 OF NEW YORK,
 Oriental Freight Department.
 Hongkong, 2nd March, 1904. [636]

NATAL LINE OF STEAMERS.

THE Undersigned GENERAL AGENTS in CHINA and JAPAN for the above Line are prepared to issue THROUGH BILLS OF LADING for all the principal ports in SOUTH AFRICA, in connection with INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO.'s fortnightly service hence to CALCUTTA. Sailings from CALCUTTA for CAPE PORTS every fortnight. For Freight and further particulars,

apply to
 DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,
 General Agents for China and Japan.
 Hongkong, 4th August, 1897. [8]

HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "WING CHAI."
 Captain Samuel Bell Smith.

DEPARTURES from Hongkong, on week days, at 7.30 A.M.; on Excursion Sundays, at 8.30 A.M.; from Macao week days at about 2 P.M. and Sundays about 7.30 P.M.

FARE—(week days) 1st Class (including cabin and servant), \$3. Return Ticket \$5.
 2nd Class \$1. 3rd Class 50 cents.

On Excursion Sundays 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Class Single Ticket \$2. Return Ticket \$3. Return Ticket including Tea and Dinner either on board or at Macao Hotel \$5. On Sundays \$5 extra will be charged for each Cabin which has accommodation for two or more Passengers.

Wharf at the Western end of Wing Lok Street.

The Steamer runs an Excursion Trip Every Sunday, and takes only 34 hours to reach Macao.

MING ON & CO.,
 2nd Floor, 16, Victoria Street.
 Hongkong 8th September, 1903.

HONGKONG-CANTON LINE.

THE British steamship

"YING KING."
 Captain Ramsey, of 1088 tons, Registered, is the newest, fastest, and most luxuriously furnished steamer on the line and is lighted throughout with electricity; hot and cold water service.

The cuisine is unexcelled.

Leaving Hongkong every MONDAY, WEDNESDAY and FRIDAY EVENING, at 9 P.M. and returning from Canton every following evening at 5 P.M.

1st Class ... \$3.00 for Single journey
 2nd ... 1.50
 Meals ... 1.00 each.

The steamer's wharf is at the Western end of Wing Lok Street.

YUK ON S.S. CO., LD.,
 No. 216, Wing Lok Street.
 Hongkong, 27th February, 1904. [377]

PORTLAND & ASIATIC STEAMSHIP CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG SHANGHAI INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA FOR OREGON RAILROAD & NAVIGATION CO.

CONNECTION WITH THE
 STEAMSHIP
 TONS CAPTAIN TO SAIL ON
 "INDRA SAMILA" 5,197 W. E. Craven March 24, 1904
 "INDRA VELL" 4,899 R. P. Craven April 24, 1904

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Ports and all Eastern, Canadian and United States Ports. For through rates of Freight and further information, communicate with or apply to

ALLAN CAMERON, GENERAL AGENT.
 Hongkong, 19th February, 1904. [14]

OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA

REGULAR STEAM-SHIP SERVICES BETWEEN HONGKONG, SOUTH CHINA COAST PORTS AND FORMOSA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR
 FOCHOW, VIA SWATOW
 AND AMOI
 TAMSUI, VIA SWATOW
 AND AMOI
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 AND AMOI
 TAMSUI, VIA SWATOW
 AND AMOI

STEAMERS LEAVING
 "TRIUMPH" FRIDAY, 18th March, at 10 A.M.
 "FRITHJOF" SUNDAY, 20th March, at 10 A.M.
 "H. A. HARALDSEN" WEDNESDAY, 23rd March, at 10 A.M.
 "TRITOS" SUNDAY, 27th March, at 10 A.M.

On account of the present state of political affairs, all the Company's new steamers have been requisitioned for transport service, and the above-named chartered steamers have been secured instead for maintenance of the Company's coastal services. As soon as the state of affairs permit, the Company will resume running with its specially designed new steamers.

For Freight, Passage, and further information, apply at the Company's local Branch Office at No. 8, Des Vaux Road Central.

Hongkong, 16th March, 1904. T. ARIMA, Manager [15]

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR
 YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, HAI, MOJI AND KOBE (Passing through the Inland Sea)

STEAMERS TO SAIL REMARKS.
 "PALAWAN" J. D. Andrews, R.N.R. About 21st March } Freight and Passage.
 "SIMLA" F. R. Summers Noon, 28th March } See Special Advertisement.

LONDON, &c. "BENGAL" G. Phillips About 27th March } Freight and Passage.

SHANGHAI "JAVA" S. Barcham About 30th March } Freight and Passage.

LONDON AND ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, PORT SAID AND MARSEILLES

For further Particulars, apply to
 E. A. HEWETT,
 Superintendent.
 Hongkong, 18th March, 1904. [1]

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THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN, AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.

CALLING AT SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA AND VICTORIA, B.C.

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 "Empress" Twin Screw Steamships—6,000 Tons—10,000 Horse-Power—Speed 19 knots.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).
 R.M.S. "EMPERESS OF CHINA" 6,000 Tons. WEDNESDAY, 30th Mar.
 R.M.S. "EMPERESS OF INDIA" 6,000 Tons. WEDNESDAY, 20th April.
 R.M.S. "ATHENIAN" 3,882 Tons. WEDNESDAY, 27th April.
 R.M.S. "EMPERESS OF JAPAN" 6,000 Tons. WEDNESDAY, 11th May.
 R.M.S. "TARTAR" 4,425 Tons. SATURDAY, 21st May.

Hongkong to London, 1st Class ... via St. Lawrence 200 via New York 262
 Intermediate on Steamers } 240 " " 242
 and 1st Class Rail ... }

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IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN/HAMBURG, PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS; ALSO LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

STEAMERS WILL CALL AT GIBRALTAR AND SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.

N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL PLACES IN RUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
PREUSSEN	HAYRE & HAMBURG	On 21st Mar. Freight.
HAMBURG	(Calling at Singapore and Penang)	
PRINZ HEINRICH	(ST. NAZAIRE, HAYRE & HAMBURG)	On 2nd April. Freight.
OLDENBURG	(Calling at Singapore and Colombo)	On 12th April. Freight.
BAYERN	HAMBURG	On 12th April. Freight.
SACHSEN	HAYRE & HAMBURG	On 25th April. Freight.
ZIETEN	(Calling at Singapore and Penang)	On 3d May. Freight.
SEYDLITZ	HAYRE & HAMBURG	On 3d May. Freight.
PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD	(Calling at Singapore and Colombo)	On 17th May. Freight.
ROON	HAYRE & HAMBURG	On 17th May. Freight.
PREUSSEN	HAYRE & HAMBURG	On 31st May. Freight.
PRINZ HEINRICH	(Calling at Singapore and Penang)	
GNEISENAU	(Calling at Singapore and Colombo)	On 14th September.
BAYERN	HAYRE & HAMBURG	On 28th September.
SACHSEN	HAYRE & HAMBURG	On 13th October.
ZIETEN	(Calling at Singapore and Colombo)	On 26th October.
PRINZ ALICE	HAYRE & HAMBURG	On 9th November.
PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD	(Calling at Singapore and Penang)	On 23rd November.
PREUSSEN	HAYRE & HAMBURG	On 7th December.
PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH	(Calling at Singapore and Colombo)	On 21st December.
PRINZ HEINRICH	HAYRE & HAMBURG	On 4th January 1905.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 30th day of MARCH, 1904, at Noon, the Steamship "PREUSSEN," Captain E. Prehn, with MALES PASSENGERS, SPECIE and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, CALLING AT NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON on MONDAY, the 28th March. Cargo and Specie will be received on Board until 5 P.M. on TUESDAY, the 29th March, and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until NOON on TUESDAY, the 29th March.

Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$2.50 and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement.

The Steamer has splendid accommodation, and carries a Doctor and Stewardesses. Linen can be washed on board.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.
 For further Particulars, apply to
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 Hongkong, 17th March, 1904. [5]

NORTHERN PACIFIC LINE.

OCEAN STEAM SHIP CO., LD. AND CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LD. JOINT SERVICES.

FORTNIGHTLY SAILINGS FOR LONDON AND CONTINENT.
MONTHLY SAILINGS FOR LIVERPOOL.

FOR CARGO ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR ALL EUROPEAN,
NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICAN, WEST AUSTRALIAN, JAPAN,
AND SUMATRA PORTS.

FROM	STEAMERS	DATE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"NINGCHOW"	On 20th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ANTENOE"	On 24th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"OUPACK"	On 31st March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"JASON"	On 5th April.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ACHILLES"	On 10th April.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
LONDON and ANTWERP	"AJAX"	On 13th March.
LONDON and ANTWERP	"PAK LING"	On 29th March.
LONDON and ANTWERP	"MACHAON"	On 12th April.
LONDON and ANTWERP	"IDOMENEUS"	On 20th April.
LONDON and ANTWERP	"TELEMACHUS"	On 26th April.

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST PORTS, VIA NAGASAKI, KOREA & YOKOHAMA.	"NINGCHOW"	On 23rd March.

The s.s. "NINGCHOW" left Singapore on the 15th inst., and is due here on the 20th inst.
The s.s. "TYDEUS" left Victoria B.C. on the 21st inst., for Japan and Hongkong.
For Freight, apply to—

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 18th March, 1904.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO. LIMITED.

FROM	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI	"KWEIYANG"	On 18th March, P.M.
SHANGHAI	"TAIWAN"	On 19th Mar., Night.
AMOI, MANILA, CEBU and ILOILO.	"SUNGKIANG"	On 19th Mar., Noon.
ILOILO	"WUCHANG"	On 23rd Mar., P.M.
KOBE	"CHINGTU"	On 23rd March.

PORT DARWIN, HUEI SAU, ISLAND, COCKATON, CAIRNS, to SOUTH AFRICA, FRAZER COLE, RAN SRA, BLACK SEA, LAYAN, VENICE and ADRIATIC PORTS.

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Taking Cargo on through bills of lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.
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AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVI-
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